FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-144, RM-9329]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Buxton, NC

AGENCY: Federal Communications

Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Buxton Communications Company seeking the allotment of Channel 260A to Buxton, NC, as the community's first local aural service. Petitioner is requested to provide additional information to determine that Buxton is a community for allotment purposes. Channel 260A can be allotted to Buxton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 5–16–06 NL; 75–31–54 WL.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before September 28, 1998, and reply comments on or before October 13, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows: Richard J. Hayes, Jr., 8404 Lee's Ridge Road, Warrenton, VA 20186 (Counsel to petitioner).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie K. Shapiro, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 98-144, adopted July 29, 1998, and released August 7, 1998. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

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Radio broadcasting

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-145, RM-9330]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Buxton, NC

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Buxton Radio Group seeking the allotment of Channel 268A to Buxton, NC, as the community's second local aural service. Petitioner is requested to provide additional information to determine that Buxton is a community for allotment purposes. Channel 268A can be allotted to Buxton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 5-16-06 NL; 75-31-54 WL. DATES: Comments must be filed on or before September 28, 1998, and reply

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Radio broadcasting.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 622

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Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; Special Management Zones

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmosphere Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Proposed rule, request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the framework procedure of the Fishery Management Plan for the Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region (FMP), NMFS proposes to establish 10 special management zones (SMZs) at the sites of artificial reefs (ARs) in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) off South Carolina in which fishing would be restricted to handline, rod and reel, and spearfishing gear (excluding powerheads) and to prohibit